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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): YOSHIZAWA, Takenori and UMINO, Shigenobu

For: SUBSTRATE TRANSFER APPARATUS, METHOD FOR REMOVING THE

SUBSTRATE, AND METHOD FOR ACCOMODATING THE SUBSTRATE

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\boxtimes	A specification consisting of Fifty-three (53) pages
\boxtimes	Fifteen (15) sheet(s) formal drawings
\boxtimes	An assignment of the invention
	Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
	Applicant does not claim priority
\boxtimes	Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). 2002-348903 filed in JAPAN on November 29, 2002. Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto. Certified copy(ies) will follow.
\boxtimes	Executed Declaration (Original Photocopy)

	Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
\boxtimes	Preliminary Amendment
\boxtimes	Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
	Other:
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